



## HAWKER, PEDDLER, or DOOR-TO-DOOR SALESPERSON LICENSE CHECKLIST AND FACT SHEET

Applicant: .....

<b>Identification</b> - Two forms of identification showing the applicant's address	
<b>Retail sales permit</b> - Permit to make sales at retail issued by R.I. Division of Taxation	
<b>Door-to-door salespersons</b> - Recommendation by Chief of Police	
<b>License Fee</b> Hawker: 30-day - \$25 One year - \$25 Peddler: 30-day - \$25 One year - \$25 Door-to-Door Sales: 30-day - \$25 One year - \$100	

**Who must obtain this license:**

A "hawker" is a person who sells any goods, wares, or merchandise from a stationary location on any public street, highway, or right of way.

A "peddler" is a person who sells any goods, wares, or merchandise from a moving vehicle, cart, or any other conveyance on a public street or on public property.

A "door-to-door salesperson" is a person over the age of eighteen (18) who sells or attempts to sell merchandise at the home or business of a person who has not invited the door to door salesperson to his or her home or business for the purpose of selling merchandise.

- If you plan to sell merchandise as a hawker, a peddler, or a door to door salesperson in Richmond, you must first obtain a license. You do not need to have a bricks-and-mortar sales location or an incorporated business to get the license.
- If you plan to sell merchandise as a hawker or peddler only on private property (for instance, at the Washington County Fairground) you do not need a license.

If you sell food, you do not need a hawker or peddler license as long as you are registered by the R.I. Department of Health as a mobile food service establishment.

**Requirements**

- The license is issued to a person, not a business. The license cannot be transferred to another person.
- You must carry your license while hawking or peddling or selling door to door.
- A hawker or peddler cannot sell any single item valued at more than \$300 except on behalf of a non-profit corporation.

**Exemptions.** A license is not required for sale of food; farm or garden produce, including flowers; artwork, crafts, or clothing you made; or religious books and publications sold on behalf of a religious organization.



Town of Richmond, Rhode Island

Town Clerk's Office, 5 Richmond Townhouse Road, Wyoming, RI 02898 (401) 539-9000 ext. 9

**HAWKER, PEDDLER, or DOOR-TO-DOOR SALESPERSON  
LICENSE APPLICATION**

Applicant's name:
Name of applicant's business (if applicable):
Type of business: <input type="checkbox"/> HAWKER (selling from a stationary location on a public street) <input type="checkbox"/> PEDDLER (selling from a moving vehicle, cart, or any other conveyance) <input type="checkbox"/> DOOR-TO-DOOR SALESPERSON (person over 18 who sells or attempts to sell merchandise at the home or business of a person who has not invited the door-to-door salesperson to his or her home or business for the purpose of selling merchandise).
What type of items do you sell?
If you are selling from a registered vehicle, state the type of vehicle and the registration number:
What period of time you are requesting the license for? <input type="checkbox"/> 30 DAYS <input type="checkbox"/> ONE YEAR

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OFFICE USE ONLY

LICENSE APPROVED BY TOWN CLERK	
Fee paid:	Date license issued:
License issued by:	Date license expires:

LICENSE APPROVED BY TOWN COUNCIL	
Fee paid:	Date license issued:
Date of Town Council approval:	Date license expires: